

FROM THE HEADMISTRESS

At school we are keen to encourage talent wherever we see it, not least amongst our budding artists. Several of our Year 6 girls have now taken their portfolios to their Senior Schools with a view to trying for an Art scholarship. Further down the school the girls have produced some magnificent works in Art Club and a sample of their paintings has been hung on the main staircase. Please do come in for a look. Reception has also been very busy and has produced an amazing Angel to go by the altar of Windlesham Church for advent. Everyone is welcome to go along to see it in situ at one of the advent services. Thank you to Mrs Brand and Ms Saul for all their hard work in making this happen.

Still on the subject of Art, Miss Hembrow entered some of our girls' paintings into the Chobham Poster competition. We did very well, with Maisie coming 3rd and Georgia being highly commended. They each received a prize and their pictures will be on display in Chobham in the lead up to Christmas.

Music is also very important to us here at Coworth-Flexlands, with our instrumental teachers being very much part of the school family and a large number of girls attending the orchestra. While the children gather for Assembly they regularly listen to classical music with a view to identifying the lead instrument playing. On Friday, we had the pleasure of hearing these instruments right in front of us as they were played by our own pupils. Well done to all of you who took part and showed what can be done with determination and a lot of practice!

On Thursday evening I had one of those really magical moments in school. I came out of my office when it was dark outside to hear the beautiful sound of children singing nearby and so I looked out from the upstairs window to see where they were. The choir was standing in the courtyard under the Christmas tree, lit by the floodlights, and were singing to their parents as snowflakes swirled over them and landed all around. How did this happen? All will be revealed very soon! I am looking forward to seeing you all tomorrow for our exciting Christmas Bazaar, *Mrs Anne Sweeney*